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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A cast exhaust system for gas turbine or internal combustion engines comprising pressure-containing components comprising an air melted, substantially graphite and nitrogen-free cast alloy of the following composition:

Carbon	0.01 to 0.4 <u>0.2 to 0.4</u> wt. %
Silicon	0.5 to 6 wt. %
Manganese	0.1 to 1.5 <u>0.1</u> to 1.5 wt. %
Phosphorous	0.01 to 0.08 wt. %
Nickel	13.5 to 38 <u>34 to 36</u> wt. %
Chromium	0.5 to 6 <u>2 to 3</u> wt. %
Molybdenum	0.1 to 4 wt. %
Sulphur	max 0.12 wt. %
Nitrogen	max 0.02 wt. %
Iron	balance.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 1 further comprising maximum 1 wt. % of copper.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 1 further comprising:
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| Niobium | 1 to 5 wt. % |
| Titanium | max 1 wt. % |
| Aluminum | max 1 wt. % |

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6. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 1 further comprising:
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| Niobium | max 2 wt. % |
| Tungsten | max 4 wt. % |
| Zirconium | max 1 wt. % |
| Vanadium | max 1 wt. % |
7. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacturing of the cast exhaust system of claim 5, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of $(\text{Ni}_3[\text{Al}, \text{Ti}])$, $(\text{Ni}_3[\text{Nb}, \text{Al}, \text{Ti}])$, or (Ni_3Nb) .
8. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacturing of the cast exhaust system of claim 1, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .
9. (Cancelled).
10. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 1, wherein said alloy is aged by precipitation hardening.
11. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 5, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of $\text{Ni}_3[\text{Al}, \text{Ti}]$, $\text{Ni}_3[\text{Nb}, \text{Al}, \text{Ti}]$, or Ni_3Nb .
12. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 1, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .
13. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 3, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .
14. (Previously Presented) The cast exhaust system of claim 4, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .

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15. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacturing of the cast exhaust system of claim 3, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .
16. (Previously Presented) A process for the manufacturing of the cast exhaust system of claim 4, wherein said cast alloy is strengthened by precipitation hardening of Mo_2C .
17. (New) The cast exhaust system of claim 1 further comprising molybdenum in the range of 0.1 to 4 wt. %.